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EASTMAN'S SELECT SIX SEED SPECIALTIES

To all who plant Gardens:—

Every busy man must have his recreation. Roosevelt's was hunting big game, Wilson's is golf, mine is gardening. So when some years ago I gave up my retail seed trade to answer another more urgent business call, there were some half dozen special favorites of my own introduction that I hadn't the heart to leave to the mercy of careless growers. Every year I have had unsolicited and persistent demands for these seeds, direct from grower to sower, to meet which I am issuing this little list.

These varieties have been too long and favorably known to need extended description—just a few words for identification. Even the familiar cuts are omitted, trusting to the seeds to paint their own pictures in the gardens and on the tables of satisfied customers.

Bright and Early Tomato.

The earliest of all tomatoes, and the best combination of earliness, yield and quality. Bright red, uniformly round and smooth, average size slightly below medium, which is more than made up in the immense clusters in which they grow. I have raised 500 bushels per acre in ordinary field culture.

Eastman's Early Sweet Corn.

Of all the new varieties of vegetables first introduced into general cultivation by me, Eastman's Early Sweet Corn has had the widest popularity. No other kind of sweet corn gives the combination of good points found in this variety.

First of all, it leads every other sweet corn in earliness, an important consideration for those who wish to hasten the family supply or control the early market.

Second, it is unquestionably the finest quality of its class. It has a white kernel and a white cob, running clear of the lack of flavor that characterizes the red cob class, and approaching in sweetness the best later varieties.

Third, it outyields all other extra early varieties, thus combining the three most desirable characteristics of a first early sweet corn.

Per quart 50 c.; pint 30 c.; pkt. 10 c.

Eastman's Ideal Sweet Corn.

In the IDEAL we have a sweet corn ready for the table just after Eastman's Early has passed its prime, and surpassing it in every point except earliness. It is a vigorous grower and a prolific yielder, two or three good twelve rowed ears to the stalk being common, and of superlative sweetness. A fine main crop variety.

Per qt. 60 c.; pint 35 c.; half-pint 20 c.; pkt. 10 c.

Granite State Muskmelon.

This earliest of all muskmelons makes successful melon growing possible in the most northern of the New England states. The fruit is large (I have raised specimens weighing seven pounds), oblong, deeply ribbed, greenish yellow when ripe, while the flesh is very thick, melting and richly flavored. Cut in wide slices, sprinkled lightly with sugar and eaten with a spoon, it is simply delicious.

Per pkt. 10 c.

Lightning Bean.

This grand variety of early bush bean I introduced as the quickest bean on record from planting to the table, a reputation it has maintained for over twenty years. Lovers of green beans, either string or shelled, can hasten the season by planting the Lightning. Only a few days from blossoming the pods are ready for the table, very tender and rich flavored. But they keep right on growing, and in a few days more the pods have toughened, and are soon fit for shelling. Planted side by side with other varieties, the Lightning is invariably first to come into bearing.

Per quart 50 c.; pint 30 c.; pkt. 10 c.

Purity Cucumber.

This pure white cucumber, often attaining a length of two feet and upwards, is pre-eminently an exhibition variety, and everywhere attracts attention. In its early stage it is unsurpassed for the table, crisp, tender, of the mildest flavor, which I have never known to be tainted by the slightest hint of bitterness. No other variety equals it for ripe cucumber pickles. I advise planting some earlier cucumber for main crop.

Per pkt. 10 c.

Seeds mailed postpaid at prices quoted.

Any three 10 c. packets for 25 c.

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